

Webster Co. The other articles were shipped by other firms from Union City, N. J., St. Louis, Mo., and Dallas, Tex.

LABEL IN PART: (Drum) "Special Formula Tablets Laxative No. 1 Sugar Coated Blue Pil. Rhubarb Comp. 1 grain Ext. Cascara $\frac{1}{2}$ grain Asafoetida $\frac{1}{2}$ grain Aloin $\frac{1}{16}$ grain Ext. Nux Vomica $\frac{1}{10}$ grain (equivalent strychnine .0074 grain) Oleoresin Ginger $\frac{1}{16}$ grain Oil Peppermint q. s. Lot No. 3253," "KH-2 gr. Thyroid Each Table Contains: Thyroid U. S. P. 2 gr. * * * Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription," "KH #211 Each tablet contains: Thyroid U. S. P. 2 gr. Digitalis U. S. P. 1 gr. * * * Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription," "KH #215 Each tablet contains: Thyroid U. S. P. 3 gr. Digitalis U. S. P. $\frac{3}{4}$ gr. * * * Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription," "KH Special (formerly #35) Each tablet contains: Inert Ingredient $1\frac{1}{2}$ gr. Thyroid U. S. P. 2 gr. * * * Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription," or "KH-RP 2 Each tablet contains: Thyroid U. S. P. 1 gr. Digitalis U. S. P. $\frac{1}{2}$ gr. * * * Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription"; (box) "Special Formula No. 3044 * * * Each tablet contains yellow phenolphthalein, Not U. S. P. 2 gr. Bryonia $\frac{1}{40}$ gr. Hydrastis $\frac{1}{40}$ gr. An active laxative"; (jar) "Thyrotalis RP-2 Caution—Federal Law Prohibits Dispensing Without Prescription * * * Each tablet contains: Thyroid Disis. [sic] U. S. P. 1 gr. Digitalis Pwd. U. S. P. $\frac{1}{2}$ gr.," or "Private Formula Capsules Thyrotalis RP-2 No. of Formula #7232 * * * Rx per capsule: Thyroid Disiccated [sic] U. S. P. 1 gr. Digitalis U. S. P. Powd. $\frac{1}{2}$ gr. Milk Sugar 1 gr."

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: Kirk-Howard, Inc., did business in the residence of Peter W. Burgess, president of the corporation and partner in the Burgess Weight Control Clinic, which was located in the same residence. Part of the above articles were used in the Burgess Weight Control Clinic.

The drugs were dispensed without medical supervision and without the prescription of a practitioner licensed by law to administer them since neither Peter W. Burgess nor his assistant were licensed to administer or dispense drugs.

LIBELED: 12-6-55, W. Dist. Okla.

CHARGE: 502 (f) (1)—the articles were intended to be used in weight reduction, and their labelings failed to bear adequate directions for use for that purpose while held for sale; and 502 (f) (2)—the article labeled "Special Formula Tablets Laxative No. 1," when shipped, failed to warn against use of the article when abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, or other symptoms of appendicitis were present; also, that frequent or continued use of the article might result in dependence on laxatives.

DISPOSITION: 1-9-56. Consent—claimed by Kirk-Howard, Inc. The articles were released on condition that the nonprescription drugs be relabeled and thereafter sold and that the prescription drugs be sold or otherwise disposed of to licensed drug stores, licensed prescription shops, or licensed physicians and surgeons.

DRUGS AND DEVICES ACTIONABLE BECAUSE OF DEVIATION FROM OFFICIAL OR OWN STANDARDS

5206. Sulfanilamide tablets. (F. D. C. No. 38526. S. No. 7-515 M.)

INDICTMENT RETURNED: 6-1-56, Dist. Colo., against Earl O. Meyer Drugs, Inc., Denver, Colo., and Earl O. Meyer, president.

ALLEGED VIOLATION: On 3-17-55, while a number of *sulfanilamide tablets* were being held for sale by the defendants after shipment in interstate commerce, the defendants caused to be dispensed, sold, and delivered to a customer a number of such tablets in place of the sulfaguanidine tablets called for by the prescription, which was presented by the customer to the defendants for filling.

CHARGE: 501 (d) (2)—Sulfanilamide had been substituted for sulfaguanidine.

PLEA: Guilty.

DISPOSITION: 10-26-56. Corporation fined \$1,500; individual sentenced to 4 months in prison.

5207. Sodium ascorbate injection (vitamin C). (F. D. C. No. 39492. S. No. 26-364 M.)

QUANTITY: 1,051 ampuls at Minneapolis, Minn.

SHIPPED: 1-18-56 and 2-24-56, from Philadelphia, Pa., by Vitamix Corp.

LABEL IN PART: "2 cc. Vitamin C (Sod. Ascorbate) 500 Mg. p. cc."

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: Examination showed that some ampuls were not properly sealed and that part of the contents had leaked out. Assay of the sealed ampuls showed that they contained approximately 280 mg. of sodium ascorbate per cubic centimeter.

LIBELED: 10-1-56, Dist. Minn.

CHARGE: 501 (b)—The article purported to be "Sodium Ascorbate injection," a drug the name of which is recognized in the United States Pharmacopeia, an official compendium; and, when shipped, the strength of the article differed from, and its quality fell below, the official standard; and 502 (a)—the ampul label statement set forth above was false and misleading as applied to a product containing less than 500 mg. of sodium ascorbate per cubic centimeter.

DISPOSITION: 11-26-56. Default—destruction.

5208. Halazone tablets. (F. D. C. No. 39420. S. No. 34-033 M.)

QUANTITY: 600 100-tablet btl.; 6,135 first aid kits, each containing 1 100-tablet btl.; and 450 first aid kits, each containing 3 100-tablet btl., at Tulsa, Okla.

SHIPPED: Between 3-28-56 and 6-21-56, from Denver, Colo.

LABEL IN PART: (Btl.) "100 Water Purification Tablets For Purifying Drinking Water in Canteens Halazone P-sulfone-dichloramido-benzoic acid. Each Tablet Contains 0.004 GM ($\frac{1}{16}$ Grain) of Halazone with Sodium Carbonate, Sodium Chloride and Boric Acid."

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: Analysis showed that the tablets contained from 45 percent to 102.5 percent of the declared amount of halazone. The National Formulary provides that *halazone tablets* contain not less than 90 percent of the labeled amount of halazone.

LIBELED: 8-17-56, N. Dist. Okla.

CHARGE: 501 (b)—the article purported to be and was represented as "Halazone Tablets," a drug the name of which is recognized in the National Formulary, an official compendium, and its strength, while held for sale, differed from the official standard.

DISPOSITION: 8-31-56. Default—destruction.

5209. Halazone tablets. (F. D. C. No. 39299. S. No. 56-011 M.)